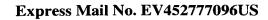
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Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action mailed March 1, 2006, which did not address the merits of the application, but required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121, please consider the following remarks.

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